

## **CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION**

**Title of publication:** Exhibit 18.jpg

**Other known title(s):** Not stated

**OFLC ref:** 1300124.017

**Medium:** Computer Image File

**Publisher:** Not stated

**Country of origin:** Not stated

**Language:** Not applicable

**Applicant:** Commissioner of Police

<b>Classification:</b>	Objectionable.
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**Descriptive note:** None

**Display conditions:** None

**Date of entry in Register:** 25 March 2013

**Date of direction to issue a label:** No direction to issue a label has been issued

**Date of notice of decision:** 25 March 2013

**Summary of reasons for decision:**

The computer image file is deemed objectionable because it promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

The image shows a naked young girl squatting to urinate on a metal grill. The camera focuses on her genital area. The purpose of the image is to titillate or arouse people with a sexual interest in children. The image encourages this sexual interest and perpetuates the idea that children are available for the sexual gratification of adults.

The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention and is a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression. The classification reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.